



CITY OF GREENSBORO FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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HALLOWEEN IS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31

GREENSBORO, **NC** (October 21, 2004) –The Greensboro Police Department reminds residents to follow all safety rules this Halloween - Sunday, October 31. Please keep in mind that safety should be the number one priority throughout the Halloween weekend. The following should also be considered:

- Do not allow a child to go "Trick or Treating" alone. Be sure older children take a friend and an adult accompanies young children.
- Accompany young children to the door of every house they approach.
- Children should not enter any home without prior permission from their parents.
- Children should not approach any vehicle, occupied or not, unless they know the owner and are accompanied by a parent.
- Make sure that all children carry a glow stick or wear reflective clothing.
- When using facial masks, make sure that children can see and breathe properly and easily.
- All costumes and masks should be clearly marked as flame resistant.
- A good alternative to "Trick or Treating" is for parents to organize parties at home, in schools, or in community centers.

** The City of Greensboro does not determine when Halloween is observed. **

The City of Greensboro works in partnership with the community to build an increased quality of life for all residents by fostering an environment where inclusion, diversity, and trust are valued. As the seventh largest employer in Greensboro, the City has a dedicated professional staff of 2700 employees who maintain four core values of honesty, integrity, stewardship, and respect. The City of Greensboro is governed by a council-manager form of government where a mayor and eight council members act as the legislative body. For more information on the City of Greensboro, please visit us online at www.greensboro-nc.gov.